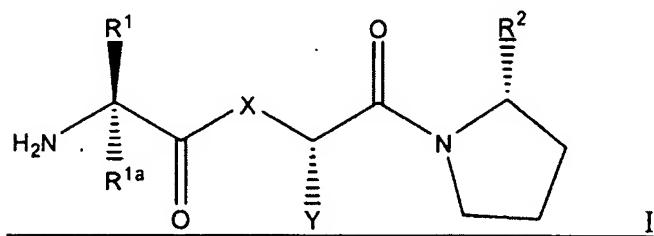


## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions or listings of claims in this application.

1.-5. (cancelled)

6. (currently amended) A compound ~~according to claim 1~~, of formula I, wherein



wherein:

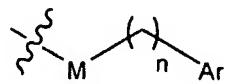
R¹ is methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, or ethenyl;

R¹a is H or methyl;

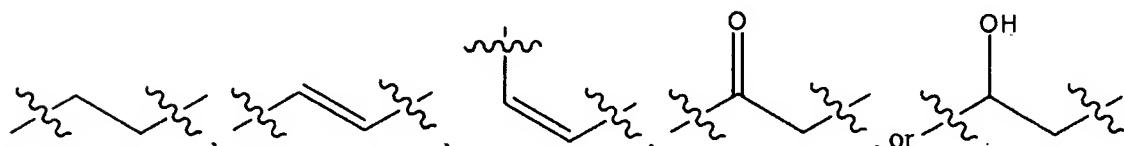
X is -O-, -S-, CH₂-, or -NH-, and J is -CH- or -N-, provided that when J is -N-, X is -CH₂- or -NH-;

Y is H, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, or isopropyl;

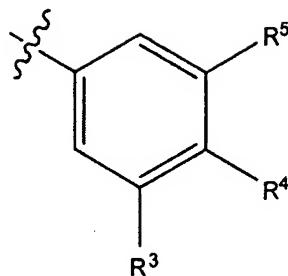
R² is:



M is:



Ar is:



R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, and R<sup>5</sup> are each independently H, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl halo, cyano, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-C(=O)OH, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-C(=O)O-alkyl, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-C(=O)NH<sub>2</sub>;

n and p are each independently the integer 0, 1, 2, or 3, and the sum of (n+p) is the integer 2 or 3;

provided that at least one of R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, and R<sup>5</sup> is H, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, halo, or cyano;

provided that when one or more of R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> is isopropyl, R<sup>4</sup> is other than isopropyl; and

provided that when R<sup>4</sup> is isopropyl, R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are each independently other than isopropyl;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

7. (currently amended) A compound according to claim 6, of formula [[L]] I, wherein one of R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, and R<sup>5</sup> is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-C(=O)OH, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-C(=O)O-alkyl, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-C(=O)NH<sub>2</sub>.

8. (original) A compound according to claim 7, of formula I, wherein p is the integer 0.

9. (original) A compound according to claim 7, of formula I, wherein one of R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, and R<sup>5</sup> is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-C(=O)OH or -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-C(=O)O-alkyl.

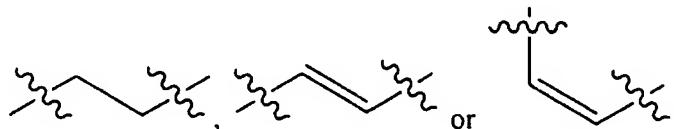
10. (currently amended) A compound according to claim 9, of formula [[L]] I wherein p is the integer 0.

11. (original) A compound according to claim 9, of formula I, wherein one of R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, and R<sup>5</sup> is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>p</sub>-C(=O)OH.

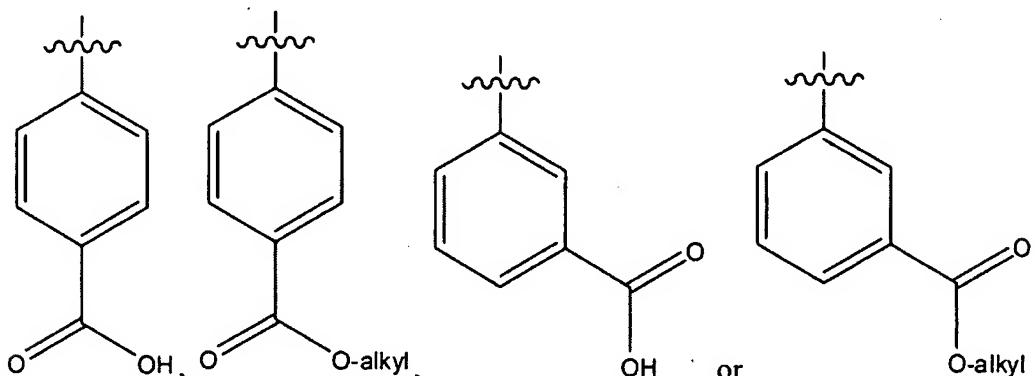
12. (currently amended) A compound according to claim 11, of formula  $[[L]]^I$  wherein  $p$  is the integer 0.

13. (currently amended) A compound according to claim  $[[1]]^6$ , of formula  $[[L]]^I$  wherein the sum of  $(n+p)$  is the integer 2.

14. (currently amended) A compound according to claim  $[[1]]^6$ , of formula  $I$ , wherein  $M$  is:



15. (currently amended) A compound according to claim  $[[1]]^6$ , of formula  $I$ , wherein  $Ar$  is:



16.-47. (cancelled)